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Applicant: Per Sauerberg et al. : Confirmation No.: 2809

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amended)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated as mailed on November 7, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory period of response that expired February 7, 2009, and being extended, in a separate paper, through and including May 7, 2009, please make the below-identified amendments and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 23 of this paper.